

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.T.E. 04-114 D.T.E. 04-117 December 8, 2004

Petition of Cambridge Electric Light Company and Commonwealth Electric Company requesting approval of (1) their 2004 Transition Cost Reconciliation Filing, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, §1A(a) and 220 C.M.R. § 11.03 (4)(e), and (2) a proposed increase to their standard offer service fuel adjustment.

On December 7, 2004, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 1A(a) and 220 C.M.R. § 11.03(4)(e), Cambridge Electric Light Company ("Cambridge") and Commonwealth Electric Company ("Commonwealth") (collectively, "the Companies") filed with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") their 2004 reconciliation filing, which consists of the reconciliation of transition, transmission, standard offer and default service costs and revenues, and proposed updated charges and tariffs to be effective January 1, 2005. The Department docketed this filing as D.T.E. 04-114. On January 6, 2004, the Department approved the Companies' 2003 reconciliation filing, subject to further investigation and reconciliation. Cambridge Electric Light Company/ Commonwealth Electric Company, D.T.E. 03-118 (2003).

For 2005, the Companies propose the following: (1) average transition charge of \$0.00288 per kilowatthour ("KWH") for Cambridge, and \$0.02660 per KWH for Commonwealth; (2) average transmission charge of \$0.02136 per KWH for Cambridge, and \$0.00484 per KWH for Commonwealth; and (3) a default service adjustment factor of zero for Cambridge and Commonwealth.

In addition, on December 7, 2004, the Companies submitted for approval tariffs designed to increase the standard offer service fuel adjustment to \$0.01564 per KWH effective January 1, 2005 (Cambridge - M.D.T.E. No. 202D, Commonwealth - M.D.T.E. 302D). The Department docketed this filing as D.T.E. 04-117.

Any persons wishing to submit written comments on these filings should file as follows: (1) an original with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary; (2) one copy with the assigned Hearing Officer, Shaela McNulty Collins; (3) two (2) copies with Xuan Yu, Rates and Revenue Requirements Division; and (4) two (2) copies with Meera Bhalotra, Rates and Revenue

Requirements Division. The original and copies should be delivered to the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, not later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) Friday, **December 17**, 2004.

All written documents should also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dte.efiling@state.ma.us and to Shaela.Collins@state.ma.us; or (2) on a 3.5" disk, IBM-compatible format. The text of the e-mail or the disk label must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.T.E. 04-114/D.T.E. 04-117), (2) name of the person or company submitting the filing, and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document (e.g., Initial Comments or Petition to Intervene). The electronic filing should also include the name, title and phone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be created in either Corel WordPerfect, Microsoft Word, or as an Adobe-compatible PDF file. Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. Documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's Website, http://www.mass.gov/dte.

A copy of these filings are available at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts for public viewing during business hours. Copies are also on file for public viewing at the offices of the Companies, 800 Boylston Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02199. Any person desiring further information regarding the Companies' filings should contact Robert W. Werlin, Esquire, at (617) 951-1400. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Shaela McNulty Collins, Hearing Officer, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, at (617) 305-3500.

The Companies are required to serve a copy of this notice upon the service lists of D.T.E. 97-111, D.T.E. 98-78/83, D.T.E. 99-90 and D.T.E. 03-118; and to any person who has filed a request for notice with the Companies no later than Monday, **December 13, 2004**, and make return of service at the close of the comment period.

/s/ MARY L. COTTRELL, SECRETARY

By Order of the Department,